

*An*  
**Historical Pageant**



*Saturday afternoon*  
*July 1<sup>st</sup> at 4 o'clock*

*Monday evening*  
*July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8 o'clock*

*Tuesday afternoon*  
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*Presented near the*  
*Village of Whiteriver*  
*Junction*

**In Celebration of the Onehundred  
fiftieth Anniversary of the  
Chartering of the Towne**

**HARTFORD VERMONT**

**1761**

**1911**

# A STORY OF PROGRESS

Crackers were made in Hanover as 1815 by a man named Smith. The firm of Smith is now the present firm of Smith & Son, Bath, N. H.

About 1835 and bought out the old fashioned The crackers when the first run by horse power. Reel over of.

In those days the brick oven, not this evening's presentation of Hartford's historical pageant the principal feature of the town's celebration of its 150th anniversary came to a close. The pageant has been a success and many from various sections of the State have come to witness it. In two or three cases parts have been taken by direct descendants of those whose acts were depicted. The committees feel that the town has enjoyed a celebration that will linger in memory. The idea of the presentation of a pageant illustrative of the acts and incidents of by-gone days originated with Mrs. C. M. Cone of Hartford. She had seen presentations of like nature at Deerfield and other places and thought it a fitting mode of celebration. She succeeded in arousing enthusiasm in others so that at the town meeting in March a sum of money was appropriated for the purpose.

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Hanover Crackers have retained their popularity through all this period, and the firm which in recent years has become known as Smith & Son, enjoys the distinction of doing business with men who bought its product fifty years ago.

The course of development from the old freight teams drawing flour over the early Hartford roads and the old oven and machine driven by horse power, to the present plant and modern equipment is in keeping with the progress that the Town of Hartford has made since its early settlement.

## TO UNVEIL TABLET TO-DAY

Daughters of American Revolution to Mark Drill Ground at Hartford.

(Special to the Free Press.)

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For some time the local Thomas Chittenden chapter of the D. A. R. has desired to mark the historic center of the town, the site of the First Church and the old revolutionary drilling ground. Accordingly, since late winter it has been raising money for a bronze marker to place on this spot. It has asked and received the generous co-operation of individuals and clubs. The ceremony of unveiling the marker will take place to-morrow afternoon. An address will be delivered by the Rev. Ozora S. Davis, president of Chittenden Theological School, and at one time a resident of this section of Vermont. Hon. S. E. Pingree of Hartford will also speak. The D. A. R. has invited the public to these exercises and a goodly attendance is expected.

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# Historical Pageant of Hartford, Vt.

GIVEN BY THE TOWN

at *White River Junction, Vt.*

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If Tuesday should prove stormy, tickets for those performances will be good for the first fair afternoon and evening following.

If weather is uncertain, information may be obtained by telephoning to Information, Central, White River Junction.

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The Pageant will be held in the woods on Pine Point Hill in a natural Amphitheater with back ground of trees and foliage and a vista of hills in the distance the performance will last for two hours with a short intermission between scenes VIII and IX.

The cast is composed of the townspeople assisted by the people of West Lebanon, whose history is closely interwoven with that of Hartford.

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Its fair meadows and valuable water-privileges were doubtless the attractions which led the original grantees of Hartford to choose the territory through which the White River flows near the end of its course. To them it counted little that the stream had always been and would continue to be a part of a main road of travel. They knew the point where the White River empties into the Connecticut as a camping ground for Indians and captives and as a starting-point for scouting parties in the French and Indian wars; but long before white men came over-sea, it had been a station in an ancient river highway from the Atlantic ocean to the Great Lakes; and in the undreamed-of changes in methods of travel which a century would bring forth, it was destined to become a hustling, bustling railroad center, half-way between Boston and Montreal, and New York and Quebec. Such a spot invites history. Here halted men of different races and civilizations bound northward and southward on errands of continental import. Here rested for a night captive women and children wearily tramping three hundred miles to Canada. Hither came, as to the gateway of the promised land, the pioneers, hardy and hopeful, "the sifted wheat" of Connecticut. Here, just one hundred years later, in the great days of '61, gathered and passed many a Vermont regiment bound for Washington.

The first settlers made their homes high on the hill-tops. For seventy-five years Hartford's civil and military center was at its geographical center, an elevated and sightly spot where the first cross roads met near a "convenient green and parade." There the town meetings of the Revolution were held, and Hartford's Revolutionary soldiers were drilled. There the Town Church was built, there the early dead were buried, and there stood a tavern and the town clerk's office. The Pageant takes its scenes from both localities, the one which connects the town with world-movements and national interests, and the one which is associated with its internal history and growth.



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## Program of Scenes

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### *SCENE I—The Wilderness at the junction of the White River with the Connecticut.*

- a. An Indian Camp.
- b. Indian Hunt Dance.
- c. News of an Enemy.

1540. The mountainous region lying between the Connecticut River and Lake Champlain seems to have always been a debatable land where the two great races of Indians, Iroquois and Algonquins, struggled for mastery.

Sometime near the middle of the 16th century the Iroquois drove their ancient enemies far to the eastward and themselves occupied both shores of Lake Champlain. White River was rich in salmon, the hills near it full of game, but even there, behind the barrier of the Green Mountains, the tribes of Algonquin blood could have no fixed abiding place, and were continually in danger of an approaching foe.

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### *SCENE II—The French Road on White River.*

- a. A War-Party of French Soldiers and Indian Braves.
- b. Their camp at White River on their return from the burning of Deerfield.
- c. Parting of Stephen Williams from his father.

1704. During the French and Indian wars the White River was a link in the so-called French Road to Canada. Hertel de Rouville with two hundred Frenchmen and one hundred and forty Indians took that route over the February snows when bound for the destruction of Deerfield on the Massachusetts frontier. On its return a week later, the party, laden with booty and bringing more than one hundred captives, among them the Rev. John Williams, minister of Deerfield, and his five children, camped at the junction of the White River with the Connecticut, and there divided, owing to the difficulty of finding game for so large a company. Part of the victors with their prisoners went farther up the Connecticut, while the rest proceeded to Canada by way of the White River. The spot was well known to English captives during two generations, as a sad stage in the long Canadian journey, a place where friend was parted from friend, children taken from their parents, and the Great River, which flowed past home, left behind.

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### SCENE III—*Scouts and Rangers.*

- a. Captain Benjamin Wright camps at White River on a scouting expedition in the Wilderness woods.
- b. Robert Rogers passes the mouth of White River on his way to Fort No. Four.

After long and disastrous experience with Indian depredations, the English settlers on the frontier became acquainted with Indian methods of warfare, and themselves adopted many Indian ways of defence. English scouts, skilled in woodcraft, patrolled the forests, kept watch from lonely hill-tops, and warned the settlements of the approach of the enemy. The mouth of White River was a familiar point of departure or return.

1759. To Robert Rogers and a picked band of rangers in His Majesty's service was entrusted the raid on St. Francis, the Indian stronghold on the St. Lawrence, which had for years been a source of untold mischief for New England. The party performed the journey from Crown Point in three weeks, surprised and destroyed St. Francis, struck a blow which was felt by the Indians from Maine to Ontario, and set out on their return by way of Lake Memphremagog and the Connecticut River. Failing to find at the mouth of the Ammonoosuc the supplies which had been ordered, Rogers left his starving men to subsist on roots and nuts while he went for help to Fort No. Four sixty miles below. Building a raft and taking with him two of his men and a captive Indian boy, he made his way down the Connecticut. They were wrecked at White River Falls (Wilder), with difficulty constructed another raft, barely escaped a second disaster at Wattockquichee (Summer's) Falls, and finally reached Fort No. Four on the fifth day. Supplies were at once sent to the starving men.

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### *Scene IV.—The Dawn of Peace.*

1760. With the fall of Quebec ended the seventy years of conflict between France and England for the supremacy of North America. England won, and even in the depths of the forest the effect of peace was immediately made manifest. The scene represents a party of British Regulars and Colonials on their way to Massachusetts. They camp at the junction of the White River with the Connecticut and celebrate the victory with songs and good cheer.



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*SCENE V.—The Chartering of the Town.*

- a. The wedding of Gov. Benning Wentworth with Martha Hilton (with minuet).
- b. Arrival of the men from Connecticut to ask for grants of land.
- c. The Chartering of Hartford and its sister towns.

1761. Immediately after the cessation of hostilities, the tide of immigration, so long held back, surged northward. The four towns near the mouth of White River were the first to be granted. Prince Tracy, John Baldwin, and William Clarke negotiated the business for Hartford; Jedediah Dana for Lebanon and Enfield; Joseph Storrs and Edmund Freeman for Hanover; and Eleazar Wales for Norwich. They had audience at Portsmouth with Benning Wentworth, Royal Governor of the Province, and by pageant license they are represented as arriving on the day of his wedding, which was his sixtieth birthday, when he married Martha Hilton, age twenty, for seven years a housemaid at Wentworth House. See Longfellow's poem, *LADY WENTWORTH*.

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*SCENE VI.—The First Settlers.*

- a. Elijah, Benajah, and Solomon Strong, surveyors, settle in Hartford.
- b. Major David Wright and his bride arrive by boat.
- c. The Tildens come, Mrs. Tilden on horseback, a child in her arms, another behind her. and her little son on foot.
- d. Young Mrs Gillett, her infant in her arms and a kettle of apple sprouts on the pommel of her saddle, surprises her husband.
- e. Joseph Marsh and his brothers, Madam Marsh, and Mrs. Joseph Marsh and ten children come into town.
- f. Thomas Hazen and his ten sons. Mrs. Hazen and little Ann.
- g. Daniel Hazen and his bride, Olive Bartholemew, on horse-back, reach their home. Mrs. Hazen plants her willow riding-whip.

1763-1772. The settlers of the four townships came mainly from eastern Connecticut. They travelled on foot or by ox-cart and on horse-back, often on the ice in winter, and in summer by log-canoes or in boats propelled by poles. At the falls in the river there were men with teams to let for carrying 'round. The journey by ox-cart took two weeks. So many pilgrims set out for the new country that it seemed as if the towns in Windham county would be depopulated.

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**Program of Scenes**

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  - II. French Soldiers and Indian Braves on their way to Deerfield—Return with Deerfield Captives—Parting of Stephen Williams from his Father.
  - III. Scouts and Rangers—Robert Rogers on his way down the Connecticut.
  - IV. British Regulars and Colonials on their way to New England—Round a camp-fire they celebrate the Fall of Quebec.
  - V. Benning Wentworth's Wedding with Martha Hilton. Men from Connecticut come to ask for the Charter of Hartford and its sister towns.
  - VI. The coming of the First Settlers, Wrights, Tildens, Gillettes, Hazens, and Marshes.
  - VII. A Sunday service in the open—Aaron Hutchinson Preaches.
  - VIII. Arrival of Eleazar Wheelock and thirty students of Dartmouth on their way to Hanover—their Welcome by people in Hartford.
  - IX. News of Bunker Hill—Town Meeting of June 19, 1775—Organization of the Town for defense—Drilling of the Hartford Volunteers.
  - X. The Republic of the Green Mountains (symbolic). Muster of men for Bennington, Aug. 14, 1777.
  - XI. Alarm of Oct. 16, 1780—Phineas Parkhurst's Ride—March of the Minute Men.
  - XII. Social life in the Early 19th Century—A Husking-Bee.
  - XIII. Finale—Ensemble of the Pageant—Citizens of the future.
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### Scene X.

Republic of the Green Mountains  
Miss Marjorie Watson  
Minute Men same as Scene IX.

### Scene XI.

By the people of West Lebanon---In  
charge of Mrs. Hilliard.

Phineas Parkhurst—Paul W. French  
Deacon Rix—Arthur Sargent  
Girl who gave water—Eva Parkhurst  
Mrs. Rix—Blanch Kibling  
Mrs. Parkhurst—Mrs. Lucy Kibling

OTHER REFUGEES. Mrs. Agnes Davis, Margaret Davis,  
Mrs. Blanch Sargent, Reginald Lovejoy, Mrs. James  
Hooking, Rachel Sargent, Dudley Sargent, Mrs. Lena  
Cross, Harold Cross, Ida Hooking, Olo Hooking, Mrs.  
Carrie Bathrow, Ernestine Moore, Mrs. Prudence Bailey,  
Marion French, Mrs. Daisy Watson, Elinor Watson, Mrs.  
Cora Whitcomb, Grace Spunkling, Pauline Bathrow,  
Frederic Bathrow.

### Scene XII.

Husking Bee---from White River Junction,  
in charge of Miss Louise Lyman.

Barbara Bogle, Mary Wheeler, Marjorie Watson, Annie  
Miller, Gertrude Ramsay, Hazel Stanford, Laura Landers,  
Rachael Wheeler, Marion Brown, Mary Bacon,  
Juliet Coleman, Mrs. Edward Stephens, Mrs. T. F. Gartland,  
Mrs. Arthur Van Sleet, Mrs. A. M. Hall, Mrs. R. E. Smith,  
Lucile Wheeler, Emma McCabe, Kathleen Starr, Dr. T. F.  
Gartland, Raymond Trainor, Edward Stephens Albert  
Hazen, Arthur Van Sleet, Alfred E. Watson, David Perrin  
Clarence Croft, Geo. Carpenter, Robert Ridger, Lawrence  
Foote, Edwin Smith, John Bacon, Howard Pease, John  
Harvey, Paul Bogle, John Waterman, Robert Hanley,  
Harold Greene, Donald Fellows, Fred A. Carr, Mrs. J. G.  
Harvey, Mrs. W. J. King, Mrs. C. H. Green, Mrs. W. G.  
Roberts, Mrs. C. H. Brown, D. A. Perrin, Dr. T. F.  
Gartland, F. H. Williams, C. P. Truell.

### Scene XIII.

The review of the Pageant, ensemble of  
the entire Cast. The Citizens of the  
Future.

Children from Hartford, West Hartford, Wilder, Quechee  
and White River Junction, in charge of Miss Newton, Miss  
Howard, Mrs. Quimby, Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. Nash, Miss  
Greeley.

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In Celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Settlement of Bennington

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SCENE VII.—*A Sunday Service in the Early Days.*

a. Aaron Hutchinson Preaches.

b. The congregation sings some of the old-time hymns.

c. The minister receives his salary.

Preaching services were not held regularly in Hartford in the earliest pioneer days. When they did occur, a barn or grove in summer and a settler's kitchen in winter were the meeting-places. Word would be passed that so and so would preach on such a Sunday, and from the clearings in all parts of the town at the appointed time came the settlers and their families. The women often carried their shoes in their hands till they came near the meeting-place. A man, "if he was the owner of a horse, rode to meeting with his wife seated on a pillion behind him, one arm circling his body, and, if they had children, one rode seated on a pillow before the man, and another and smaller child in the mother's lap, encircled by one of her arms."—History of Hartford. Aaron Hutchinson was the first preacher in Hartford, and his services were shared with Woodstock and Pomfret nearby. Scholar, farmer, preacher, and patriot, he knew the English Bible and the Greek Testament by heart, was a Yale M. A., took the only Boston newspaper in this part of the country, and taught the classics while handling the plough. His salary was usually paid in grain, and on his preaching rounds his young son attended him with an extra horse, on which to take home what the parishioners brought.

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SCENE VIII.—*Dartmouth College—"the Voice Crying in the Wilderness."*

a. President Wheelock, Dr. Crane, Sylvanus Ripley, and laborers and teams, on their way to Hanover. They are welcomed by their neighbors in the new country.

b. Madam Wheelock follows in her husband's London Coach.

c. The thirty students arrive on foot.

1770. The choice of Hanover, N. H. as a location for Eleazar Wheelock's Indian School and English College was of the greatest possible advantage to this region, and was so considered by the inhabitants, many of whom had been Wheelock's parishoners and neighbors in Lebanon, Conn. In Hartford Wheelock was given land, Hartford men contributed their labor and that of their teams in the clearing of a site for the college, and a number of Hartford families joined the church which Wheelock organized in the winter of 1771.

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West Lebanon, N.H.

*SCENE IX.—Beginning of the Revolution in Hartford.*

*a.* The town-meeting at the house of Widow Ruth Strong.

*b.* Organization of the town for defence.

*c.* The drilling at the Center of the Town.

1775. The guns of Bunker Hill, according to a well-authenticated tradition, were heard in Hartford. On the following Monday the voting population of the town, about forty in number, came together for the third time in five weeks at the house of Widow Ruth Strong at the Center of the town. Joseph Marsh was chosen moderator, and Amos Robinson clerk, and after the usual nominations and secondings, and voting aye and no, the party prevailed which saw clearly that the time had come for action and that war with Great Britain was the only course to follow. Officers for a company of militia were chosen, and "A Committee of Safety for ye Town" appointed, the members of which were Joseph Marsh, Joel Marsh, Stephen Tilden, Amos Robinson and Joshua Hazen. In the training days which followed "Capt. Snag" (Abel Marsh) and his brother officers did their best to teach their fellow citizens in arms to march and counter-march, keep step, ground arms, and load and fire. Accordto an old story, the town "elected a captain, a lieutenant, an ensign, four sergeants and five corporals, and had one private left, and they drilled him until he lay down all tired out."

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*SCENE X.—The New State.*

*a.* The Republic of the Green Mountains (symbolic).

*b.* Departure of Hartford men for Bennington.

1777. The Constitution of the State of Vermont was adopted June 8th at Windsor, during a severe thunder storm and while the members of the convention, having received the news of the advance of Burgoyne and the capture of Ticonderoga, were anxious to depart to the defence of their homes and their families. There followed the second serious alarm of the war in this region. Burgoyne's Proclamation appeared nailed to the door of the Newbury Meeting-house on Sunday morning, July 9th, and thirty Tories from the neighborhood went to join the British army. On July 19th, late at night, Joel Matthews of Hartford passed on the word which he received from a messenger from Windsor, that a detachment of Burgoyne's troops was nine miles east of Rutland, bound for No. Four and the upper Connecticut valley. On receipt of this intelligence a midnight meeting was held at College Hall at Hanover, and the alarm was spread in all directions. The inhabitants were roused to a determined resistance, and the call to serve under John Stark met with an immediate response.

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## SCENE XI.—*The Burning of Royalton.*

- a. Phineas Parkhurst gives the alarm down White River Valley.
- b. Refugees from Royalton.
- c. March of the Minute Men.

1780. From the beginning of the war the burden of their own self-defence has fallen on the towns of the upper Connecticut. "Scouting and fortifying" to the north against a possible invasion from Canada, had been a large part of their common duty. Royalton and Newbury were long the outposts, but as settlers pushed farther up White River, the Royalton fort had been abandoned and removed to Bethel. Then in an hour when the inhabitants least expected it, early Monday morning, October 16th, a company of British and Indians came down the First Branch and fell upon Royalton.

Phineas Parkhurst, a young man of twenty, who had served in the war, brought the news eighteen miles down the White River to the Connecticut, on horseback, and holding between his thumb and finger an Indian bullet which had lodged beneath the skin in his side. As he passed, alarm guns were fired, and the country-side rose to arms. At one place a young girl, so the story runs, gave water to the fainting messenger and his horse. After him came the frightened women and children from Royalton, fleeing for their lives, among them Mrs. Parkhurst on horseback with a handkerchief for a bridle.

By afternoon the militia marched for Royalton.

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## SCENE XII.—*The Good Old Times*

- a. A Husking-bee (with contra dances).
- b. Dr. Phineas Parkhurst drives up in his sulky.

1830. In Hartford as in other parts of Vermont "the old custom of making 'bees,' instituted when neighborly help was a necessity, was continued when it was no longer needed, for the sake of the merry-makings which such gatherings afforded. When the corn was ripe came the husking-bee, in which old and young of both sexes took part, their jolly labor lighted in the open field by the hunter's moon or a great bon-fire, round which the shocks were ranged like a circle of wigwams; or if in the barn, by the rays sprinkled from lanterns of punched tin. When the work was done, the company feasted on pumpkin pie, doughnuts, and cider. Then the barn floor was cleared of its litter of husks, the fiddler mounted the scaffold, and made the gloom of the roof-peak ring with merry strains, to which twoscore solidly clad feet threshed out time in 'country dance' and 'French four'."—Rowland Robinson.

The hero of the Royalton alarm became a physician of wide practice and excellent repute in Lebanon, Hartford, and the surrounding towns. He also raised mules which were sold South and for the Pennsylvania coal-fields. Many a farmer paid for the physic his family used by pasturing young mules. In the last years of his practice "old Dr. Parkhis" rode in a sulky, a small two-wheeled vehicle with a high back.

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### EDITORIAL COMMENT.

#### Clipped From Our Vermont Exchanges.

"Some of the newspapers are still chewing away on that \$5-a-plate White River Junction banquet," says the Waterbury Record. Yes, and some of us who didn't go, seem to be the most worried about the price we didn't pay. —Northfield News.

THE LANDMARK goes into ecstasies over Vermont's wild berries as they reveal themselves as "sass" or in the delicious shortcake. Well, there's nothing the matter with the Vermont berries except that not enough of us can get enough of them. —Ludlow Tribune.

The prospects are pretty favorable at this time for a pre-convention republican canvass for the governorship in 1912, that will be so free of "barrels", than even a bung hole cannot be found on the premises of a candidate. All of which will fully meet approval. —Northfield News.

Here's to the success of the Zenish Artificial Limb Co., which is to locate in Montpelier. It is likely that the concern has planned to carry a complete line during convention week next year. There will be more or less trimming and stretching during the festivities. —Brattleboro Reformer.

To the names already mentioned as possible candidates for the nomination for governor next year should be added that of Joseph A. DeBoer, of Montpelier. Mr. DeBoer has frankly admitted he would like to be governor, but he has no time to go out and work up sentiment in his own favor. If, however, there is any apparent demand for him to become a candidate he will enter the contest with them. —Rams-

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It is interesting to observe that Vermont was an independent republic, with its own form of government,—and as seen above, issuing its own money,—from 1777 until its admission into the union in 1791.

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